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FROM :

Acting Chief, Management Staff, ODP

SUBJECT : Specification of the Session Protocol

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2. The National Bureau of Standards, Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology, plans to propose this session protocol standard as a Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) in 1981. We request your comments concerning the impact and applicability of this planned standard. I have attached a copy of the Federal Register announcement which details the information desired.

3. In order to provide a consolidated Agency response by 2 July, we ask that you submit comments by 26 June. Please note the date contained in the Federal Register is incorrect and was changed via a cover letter from NBS.

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Planned transport and session control network  
protocol standards; inquiry

**Solicitation of Comments on the  
Impact and Applicability of Planned  
Transport and Session Control  
Network Protocol Standards**

Under the provisions of Pub. L. 89-306 (79 Stat. 1127; 40 U.S.C. 759(f)) and Executive Order 11717 (38 FR 12315, dated May 11, 1973), the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to establish uniform automatic data processing (ADP) standards. The National Bureau of Standards (NBS) plans to propose transport and session control network protocol standards as Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) in 1981. The draft technical specifications of these planned standards are available for review from the National Bureau of Standards, Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology, Standards Administration Office, Washington, D.C. 20234.

NBS is requesting comments on these planned standards and is particularly interested in the following items:

1. The impact of implementing these planned transport and session control protocol standards.

Data is solicited on the effort required to implement these planned standards within existing systems through retrofitting and also within planned systems.

2. The applicability of these planned standards.

The objectives of these standards are to provide interoperability among Federal systems and networks and to maximize opportunities for the competitive acquisition of the components of such systems. Comments are requested on specific applicability statements, consistent with these objectives, which may be included in the standard.

3. Time period required to conform to these planned standards.

Comments are solicited on the amount of time which should be allowed for conformance to the planned standards; that is, how much time should be allowed after FIPS have been issued until applicable systems and networks are required to conform.

Comments should be provided in writing by May 4, 1981 to the following address: National Bureau of Standards, Director, Institute for Computer Sciences and Technology, Administration Building, Room A200, Washington, D.C. 20234, ATTN: Planned Transport and Session Standards.

For additional information contact:  
Robert P. Blanc, Chief, Systems and  
Network Architecture Division, Building  
225, Room B218, Washington, D.C. 20234,  
(301) 921-3817.

Dated: February 25, 1981.

Ernest Ambler,

Director.

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Director.

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